



6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, TX 78238

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEON VALLEY TREE ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting of the Leon Valley Tree Advisory Board (TAB) at 6:00 PM, on Monday, March 21, 2016, in the Leon Valley City Hall Conference Room, at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas.

I. Poll for Attendance and Determination of a Quorum.

- Staff Liaison: Elizabeth Carol (Present)
- TAB Forester: Mark Kroeze, Alamo Region Urban Forester (Absent)
- Members Present: Irene Baldridge, Thomas Benavides, Denise Berger, Diana Sarfin, and Rich Sarfin
- Members Absent: Melinda Dawson and Mary Key

II. Approval of Minutes - January 25, 2016.

- Minutes were approved as written.

III. Review Leon Valley Wildfire Protection Plan.

- Plan items discussed below will be sent to the Fire Department for evaluation:
 - Page 5 -> Confirm Point of Contact for City Public Service on chart.
 - Page 7 -> Leon Valley just added a new brush truck. Confirm Truck "Type" under Leon Valley's "Resource" section.
 - Page 9 -> Name the schools in the Schools section.
 - John Marshall High School.
 - Leon Valley Elementary School.
 - Rita Kay Driggers Elementary School.
 - School of Science and Technology.
 - Page 13 -> Confirm/update values in "Estimated Values at Risk" section.
 - Page 13 -> Add the LC-17 Project area to the "Hazardous Fuels Reduction Projects" section.
 - Page 19 -> Remove the 1st & 2nd paragraphs in the "Emergency Facilities/Equipment Enhancements" section since Leon Valley now has a new fire station as well as a new brush truck.
 - Pages 14-18 -> Identify Color Legend for the different colors on the pictures.
 - There are areas in Leon Valley that have standing live oak trees that have died from oak wilt.
Would it be appropriate to list those areas/trees in this plan since they present a fire hazard?

IV. Arbor Day Polo Shirts.

- Ms. Carol had already e-mailed the information on the polo shirts to the TAB prior to this meeting. They will be green with Leon Valley's blue logo. TAB members will now e-mail their shirt size to Ms. Carol.

V. Continuation of plans to plant trees in Leon Valley Park system.

- TAB currently has a general set of "Tree Planting Plan Outline Notes", however, a specific plan cannot be developed without objectives/requirements.
- Ms. Carol will develop a basic plan that will include two areas that have already been identified by the Park Commission. Those areas include outside of the out-field fence of the ball park and along the walking path at Raymond Rimkus Park.
 - Ms. Carol will work with Ms. Melinda Moritz (Park Commission LV Liaison) on the plan that will be presented to the Park Commission for evaluation.

VI. Review Earth Wise Living Event.

- A total of 250 trees (Bur Oak, Mexican Oak, Arizona Cypress, Texas Ebony, Mountain Laurel, and Eve's Necklace) were adopted out by 1100 AM.

VII. Future Agenda Items.

- How to improve tree focus.

-- This topic will be revisited in 2016.

- Website updates.

-- This topic will be revisited in 2016.

- Neighborwood program.

-- This topic will be revisited in 2016.

- Strategic Tree planting goals.

-- TAB is currently evaluating cost effective planting strategies at Raymond Rimkus Park.

- Other Topics.

- N/A

VIII. Adjourn.

- Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

- The next meeting of the TAB is scheduled for Monday, April 4, 2016, at 6:00 PM, at the Leon Valley City Hall Conference Room.


Chairperson